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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: NAM SUMMIT: ALGERIA'S BOUMEDIENNE
GIVES HIS VALADICTORY SPEECH.

1. SUMMARY: ALGERIAN PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENNE GAVE FINAL
SPEECH AS PRESIDENT OF NAM SUMMIT AUGUST 16 EVENING. MUCH
OF SPEECH WAS STANDARD NON-ALIGNED RHETORIC, GIST OF
WHICH IS PROVIDED BELOW. HE SPENT CONSIDERABLE TIME ON
WESTERN SAHARA. COMMENTS ON PEACE ZONES AND LOS ARE
ALSO INCLUDED. END SUMMARY.

2.AUGUST 16 EVENING, ALGERIA'S PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENNE
LED OFF FIRST NAM SUMM X WORKING SESSION WITH FINAL
ADDRESS AS PRESIDENT OF NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT. MUCH OF
HIS SPEECH WAS STANDARD NON-ALIGNED RHETORIC. SPEECH
WAS SUPPOSED TO BE RECITATION OF NON-ALIGNED PROGRESS
SINCE 1973 ALGIERS SUMMIT. IN FACT CURRENT PROBLEMS
TOOK UP MUCH OF SPEECH INCLUDING WESTERN SAHARA TO WHICH
BOUMEDIENNE DEVOTED TWO AND A HALF PAGES OUT OF TWENTY-
TWO AND A HALF PAGE SPEECH. HE REPEATED ALGERIAN POSITION
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THAT SAHARAU PEOPLE ARE ENTITLED TO DECOLONISATION

AND TO EXERCISE FREELY RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION.

3. REGARDING THE CURRENT WORLD SITUATION, BOUMEDIENNE STRESSED THE NEED FOR A COMPLETE OVERHAL OF THE "NOW ANACHRONISTIC INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM". HE SPOKE VERY MUCH IN TERMS OF THE CONFRONTATION BETWEEN THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES AND IMPERIALISM. HE DEPICTED THE RAPID WORSENING OF THE MIDDLE EAST SITUATION, COMBINED WITH THE CYPRUS DEADLOCK, THE BUILD UP OF NAVAL FLEETS AND THE RENEWED OUTBREAK OF STATE TERRORISM PRACTISED BY ZIONIST FORCES AS REFLECTING PART OF THE IMPERIALIST STRATEGY. HE CLAIMED THAT THE IMPERIALISTS ARE USING A DIVISIVE STRATEGY OF SETTING MEMBERS AGAINST EACH OTHER, ARABS AGAINST ARABS AND AFRICANS AGAINST AFRICANS.

4. PEACE ZONES: BOUMEDIENNE SAID THAT IN THE MEDITERRANEAN, THEY CANNOT BUT PROFIT BY TAKING COUNSEL FROM THE ASIAN EXPERIENCE. REFLECTING IDEA YUGOSLAVS HAVE BEEN MENTIONING, HE SAID NAM'S ACTIONS MUST BE DIRECTED THERE TOWARDS ESTABLISHING ANOTHER ZONE OF PEACE WHICH WOULD BE IN LINE WITH HELSINKI. HE SAID IT IS BY ACHIEVING "ZONES OF PEACE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN, MEDITERRANEAN AND CARIBBEAN" THAT THE NAM WILL ASSERT ITS PROPER PLACE.

5. LOS: PARAGRAPH ON LOS WAS CONFINED TO SEABEDS. IT STATED: QUOTE:

MOREOVER, THE DISCUSSIONS HELD DURING THE CONFERENCE ON THE LAW OF THE SEA HAVE REVEALED THE CLAIMS OF CERTAIN COUNTRIES TO A MONOPOLY IN THE EXPLOITATION OF THE SEA-BED BY VIRTUE OF TECHNOLOGICAL SUPERIORITY, TO THE DETRIMENT OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ESSENTIAL RESOURCES OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. THIS CLAIM TO EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS TO EXPLOIT THE HERITAGE OF MANKIND IS LIKELY TO PAVE THE WAY FOR ANY ENTERPRISE OF DOMINATION COMPARABLE WITH THE COLONIAL EXPANSION OF THE LAST CENTURY. UNQUOTE.

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6. ECONOMIC ISSUES: SECTION OF SPEECH ON ECONOMIC ISSUE WAS MAINLY STANDARD THIRD WORLD RHETORIC INCLUDING SUPPORT FOR NIEO, CERDS, AND VI AND VII UNGA SPECIAL SESSIONS. ON TACTICS, HOWEVER, HE SAID, "WE ARE COMPELLED TO NOTE THAT ONLY OUR DETERMINATION TO ENFORCE RESPECT FOR OUR RIGHTS WILL OPEN THE WAY TO NEGOTIATIONS ON A EQUAL FOOTING".

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